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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date February 23, 2004

In re the Application of

Hideyoshi HORIMAI

Group Art Unit: 2872

Application No.: 09/601,702

Examiner: A. Lavarias

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Docket No.: 106357

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR RECORDING AND REPRODUCING OPTICAL
INFORMATION (AS AMENDED)

**SMALL ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired January 22, 2004, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 151313 in the amount of \$55.00 in payment for:

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